

**RESOLUTION NO. SCV-456**

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
OF THE SANTA CLARITA VALLEY WATER AGENCY  
ADOPTING THE ADDENDUM TO THE CASTAIC HIGH SCHOOL  
FINAL SUPPLEMENTAL ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT  
PURSUANT TO THE CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT SECTION 15164,  
AND APPROVING A MASTER AGREEMENT WITH SLOAN CANYON INVESTMENT VI, LLC  
FOR DESIGN OF A 0.77 MG WELDED STEEL TANK**

**WHEREAS**, Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency (Agency) desires to take steps to increase the capacity and reliability of its existing water system; and

**WHEREAS**, on October 17, 2012, William S. Hart Union High School District (School District), as the lead agency under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), certified the Castaic High School Project Final EIR (Final EIR; SCH No. 2004031110), and on July 17, 2013, the School District approved the Addendum to the Castaic High School Project Final EIR, and on July 16, 2014, the School District certified the Castaic High School Project Final Supplemental EIR (Final Supplemental EIR; and together with the Final EIR, the Previously Certified EIRs), which together analyzed the impacts of the then-proposed Castaic High School development; and

**WHEREAS**, as part of the certifications, the School District adopted Findings of Fact, Statements of Overriding Considerations, and a Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program for the Previously Certified EIRs; and

**WHEREAS**, the Agency, as a responsible agency, has now prepared an Addendum to the Final Supplemental EIR (attached as Exhibit A) pursuant to CEQA Guidelines section 15162 to determine if, when taking subsequent discretionary actions in furtherance of a project for which an EIR has been adopted, the Agency is required under Public Resources Code section 15162 to conduct additional environmental review; and

**WHEREAS**, the Addendum to the Final Supplemental EIR analyzed the potential environmental impacts associated with the Castaic Zone 3C Tank and Reservoir Management System modifications (Modified Project) to the Castaic High School Project; and

**WHEREAS**, the Addendum to the Final Supplemental EIR determined that there are no substantial changes proposed in the Modified Project, nor substantial changes in the circumstances under which the Modified Project would be undertaken, which would require major revisions to the Previously Certified EIRs due to new significant environmental effects or a substantial increase in the severity of previously identified significant effects such that subsequent environmental review would be required; and

**WHEREAS**, the Addendum to the Final Supplemental EIR determined that impacts of the Modified Project would not result in any new significant impacts that were not previously identified in the Previously Certified EIRs and no new mitigation measures are required; and

**WHEREAS**, the Agency has determined that the proposed Castaic Zone 3C Tank is needed to increase emergency and operational water storage supply in the Agency's Castaic Zone 3C, and the Reservoir Management System is needed to consistently meet all applicable water quality regulations; and

**WHEREAS**, funding for design of the Castaic Zone 3C Tank and Reservoir Management System modifications is provided through the CIP Tanks & Tank Facility Improvements budget and is included in the approved FY2024/25 Revised Budget; and

**WHEREAS**, it is in the Agency's best interest that the Board of Directors, on behalf of the Agency, authorize its General Manager to execute a Master Agreement for Developer-Constructed Improvements for design of the Castaic Zone 3C Tank, with the Agency's fair share of sixty-five percent (65%) determined by a Sloan Canyon Development Hydraulic Analysis Technical Memorandum. The Master Agreement allows for a future statement of work to cover construction of the tank with the Agency 65% fair share contribution.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency Board of Directors (the Board) has reviewed and considered the Addendum to the Final Supplemental EIR and supporting materials and finds that those documents taken together contain a complete and accurate reporting of all of the environmental impacts associated with the Modified Project.

**SECTION 1. RECITALS.** The Board further finds that the Addendum to the Final Supplemental EIR has been completed in compliance with CEQA, the CEQA Guidelines, and that the Addendum and supporting materials, taken together, reflect the Board's independent judgment.

**SECTION 2. COMPLIANCE WITH THE CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT.** As a decision-making body for the Modified Project, the Board has reviewed and considered the information contained in the Addendum to the Final Supplemental EIR, comments received, and other documents contained in the administrative record for the Modified Project ). Based on the Agency's independent review and analysis, the Board finds that the Addendum and administrative record contain a complete and accurate reporting of the environmental impacts associated with the Modified Project, and that the Addendum has been completed in compliance with CEQA and the State CEQA Guidelines.

**SECTION 3. FINDINGS ON ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS.** Based on the whole record before it, including the Addendum, the administrative record, and all other written and oral evidence presented to the Board, the Board finds that all environmental impacts of the Modified Project are either less than significant or can be mitigated to a level of less than significant under the mitigation measures outlined in the Addendum and Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program. The Board finds that substantial evidence fully supports the conclusion that no significant and unavoidable impacts will occur and that, alternatively, there is no substantial evidence in the administrative record supporting a fair argument that the Modified Project may result in any significant environmental impacts. The Board finds that the Addendum contains a complete, objective, and accurate reporting of the environmental impacts associated with the Modified Project and reflects the independent analysis of the Board.

**SECTION 4. ADOPTION OF THE ADDENDUM TO THE PREVIOUSLY CERTIFIED EIRS.** The Board, as a responsible agency, hereby approves and adopts the Addendum to the Previously Certified EIRs, attached hereto as Exhibit A.

**SECTION 5. APPROVING THE CASTAIC ZONE 3C TANK.** The Board hereby approves the Modified Project consisting of the second tank and reservoir management system at the existing Castaic Zone 3C Tank site.

**SECTION 6. AFFIRMATION OF ADOPTED MITIGATION MONITORING AND REPORTING PROGRAM.** In accordance with Public Resources Code section 21081.6, the Board hereby affirms the previously adopted MMRP, attached hereto as Exhibit "B". In the event of any inconsistencies between the Mitigation Measures set forth in the Addendum and the MMRP, the Addendum shall control.

**SECTION 7. LOCATION AND CUSTODIAN OF RECORDS.** The documents and materials that constitute the record of proceedings on which this Resolution has been based are located at the Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency Summit Circle Office at 27234 Bouquet Canyon Road, Santa Clarita, CA 91350. The custodian for these records is the Board Secretary, April Jacobs. This information is provided in compliance with Public Resources Code section 21081.6.

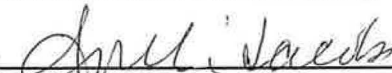
**SECTION 8. NOTICE OF DETERMINATION.** The Board hereby directs staff to prepare, execute, and file a Notice of Determination with the Los Angeles County Clerk's office and the Office of Planning and Research within five (5) working days of adoption of this Resolution.

**RESOLVED FURTHER** that the Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency's Board of Directors authorize its General Manager to execute a Master Agreement for Developer-Constructed Improvements for design of the Castaic Zone 3C Tank.

  
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President

I, the undersigned, hereby certify: That I am the duly appointed and acting Secretary of the Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency, and that at a regular scheduled meeting of the Board of Directors of said Agency held on November 19, 2024 the foregoing Resolution No. SCV-456 was duly and regularly adopted by said Board, and that said resolution has not been rescinded or amended since the date of its adoption, and that it is now in full force and effect.

DATED: November 19, 2024

  
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Secretary

